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HEATER AND THERMAL SENSORS
Customer No.: 33717

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Sir:

This Response is directed to the Final Office Action mailed October 4, 2004. The office action issued by the Examiner and the citations referred to in the office action have been carefully considered. The examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejections under 35 USC 102 and 103 in view of the following remarks.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102

In the Office Action, the examiner fundamentally asserts that the term "metal heater layer" encompasses metal oxide heater layers as disclosed in Ohnishi et al., and therefore claims 12-14 and 18-19 are anticipated by Reference No. 8 in Figure 3 of Ohnishi et al. In response, Applicants point out that a metal is not the same as a metal oxide. Chemically and electrically a